

NEWS AND VIEWS . . .

And What Have You By BOB CRAIG

We are sure that most readers of the Abilene Reporter-News this past Sunday were as shocked as we were to find out that criminals receiving probated sentences in Taylor, Callahan and Jones counties pay \$10 per month to the county for the term of their probations. This was pointed out as being on top of any fine that might have been imposed.

We join the Reporter-News editorial writer in questioning the wisdom of such a practice. In the first place, as the Reporter-News points out, "Certainly it is questionable public policy to require a probationer, a person most usually already down and out, one who already has made a mistake or he would not be in the clutches of the law, to pay \$10 a month for his sin. Is this a therapeutic procedure for the rehabilitation of a person? It simply places an added monetary burden upon one who, in most instances, will find it hard to gain employment in the first place with his background."

To compound this questionable practice even further, it is pointed out that the three counties take in about \$30,000 a year from this practice and spend only \$16,369 on the program. Where state guidelines suggest there should be one probation officer for each 75 probationers; the single adult probation officer for Taylor, Jones and Callahan counties is currently handling more than 550.

Which means that those paying the fee or fine are not getting very much for their money in the way of rehabilitation which is the purpose of the program.

It would be bad enough to just have one probation officer serving the three counties, if that was all the counties could afford, but when you find that they are taking in nearly twice as much as they are spending, it makes the whole program look pretty bad.

We hope that this good job of reporting by the Reporter-News will bring about some needed changes in the program.

For the benefit of all of you Cowboy fans—and there seems to be more of you now than the Cowboys are winning again—we thought that we would run the following information from the Dallas Morning News that explains where the Cowboys stand in the NFL playoff system.

After the action was over this past weekend the Cowboys and New York are tied for first place in the Eastern Division since New York defeated St. Louis.

If both the Cowboys and New York Giants, who play Los Angeles, win their final regular season games then they tie for the Eastern Division title but the Giants advance to the playoffs because New York (6-2 in the East) has a better divisional record than Dallas (5-3). If Dallas wins and the Giants lose, then Dallas is the outright champion and goes into the playoffs, where it would host the Coastal Division champion in the Cotton Bowl.

If both Dallas and New York win next week and thus tie, then the Cowboys would still have a chance of landing the wild card spot in the playoffs. Others in the running for the wild card spot are Detroit in the Central Division and either San Francisco or Los Angeles in the Western Division. If either the 49ers or the Rams and Detroit lose another game and Dallas wins, then the Cowboys would be the wild card team.

Detroit and the Rams, of course played Monday night and this game eliminated one or the other. Finally, if Detroit wins its final two games and Dallas wins over Houston, the Cowboys and Lions would tie for the wild card spot, both having the same Conference records and there would be a flip to determine the wild card playoff team.



AT SALT POLLUTION MEETING—State Representative Grant Jones, left, speaker for the Tuesday evening meeting held to discuss the problems of salt pollution in the area, visits with J. C. Turner, center, and Olin Amerson prior to the meeting. Turner was moderator at the meeting and Amerson is president of the Landowners Association of Hamlin, sponsors of the event.

Trio Charged Following Burglary Attempt Here

Felony charges of conspiracy to commit burglary and resisting arrest by firearms have been filed against a Coleman man and wife and another Coleman man. The charges were filed in the court of George Harrell, Justice of the Peace. Bonds totaling \$75,000 on each person were set by Justice Harrell.

Charges were filed on three counts against Mark Lindsey, 30; his wife, Lyndell Taylor Lindsey, 27, and Bill Hicks, 20. Each were charged with conspiracy to commit burglary, resisting arrest by firearms against Patrolmen Homer Dill and resisting arrest by firearms against Patrolman James Kerby.

Bond was set at \$25,000 on each count.

The charges were filed Tuesday after their apprehension here Monday night by the two patrolmen.

Hamlin Police Chief Bryan Wasson who is handling the investigation tells of the incident as follows:

Patrolmen James Kerby and Homer Dill were on duty Monday night and were checking the alley in the 200 block of South Central when they observed a ladder against the building of Turner Insurance Agency. Upon checking further, they found that two men were trying to hide behind the air conditioner compressor near the building.

They dispatched aid from the Department at 10:55 p.m.

The two men had been disarmed and handcuffed by the patrolmen when Mrs. Lindsey, armed with a .30 caliber carbine, drove up in a car and demanded her husband's and Hick's release. Patrolman Kerby, who at this time was armed with a shotgun, ordered her to drop the weapon.

The three were taken to Jones County jail in Anson.

Police Chief Wasson and other members of the Hamlin Police Department are being aided by Jones County Sheriff Woodrow Simmons and his department in Anson in the investigation.

Eighth, Ninth Grade Tourney Called Off for This Weekend

The Eighth and Ninth grade boys and girls Tournament scheduled here this week was cancelled Monday after teams from Sweetwater, Anson and Haskell withdrew. In place of the tourney, the seventh and eighth grade teams played Aspermont Monday and Stamford Tuesday.

Direct Distance Dialing Postponed Here By Phone Co.

The current Hamlin telephone directory includes a statement that Direct Distance Dialing (DDD) will be introduced on December 20.

However, Southwestern Bell will be unable to meet the date due to technical problems, said Bud McCasland, manager for the telephone company. A new conversion date has not been established.

"We regret this inconvenience," McCasland said. "We hope to provide Hamlin customers with a DDD conversion date in the near future."

McCasland requested that customers disregard the DDD introduction date listed in their directories and not attempt to use DDD.

With introduction of DDD service, Hamlin customers will be able to dial their own station-to-station calls.

Monday the Pipers and the Boys B team will host Ballinger here in a rematch and the two teams will host Sweetwater here Tuesday. The games with Ballinger will start at 6 and the games with Sweetwater will start at 6:30.

In tournament play this weekend, the Pipers lost to Mineral Wells in the consolation finals of the Possum Kingdom Tournament, 46-43, with Shelton Marshall scoring 19 points. The Hamlin team was awarded the sportsmanship trophy in tourney. The Pipers defeated Olney,

67-32, to advance to the consolation finals. Guy Wilder and Steve Teichelman each scored 14 points in this game.

The Pipers also were defeated in the consolation finals in their play in the Hardin-Simmons Girls Tournament held in Abilene. They fell to Baird Saturday evening, 69-46, with Alice Cooper hitting 21 points for high.

The girls defeated Rotan 52-49, Saturday morning to advance into the finals and defeated Trent in the second round of action Friday, 63-47.

Shelley Holtz won the sportsmanship award.

Rep. Jones Says—

Will Take Time to Solve Area Pollution Problem

State Representative Grant Jones speaking to the some 50 persons meeting to discuss the problems of salt pollution in the area said, "We did not get pollution problems overnight and we are not going to solve these problems overnight."

Rep. Jones commended the area in being far ahead of other areas in soil conservation practices. He noted that not only is the quantity of water a major concern, the quality of water is being stressed and more is heard now about pollution.

J. C. Turner, moderator, introduced Rep. Jones and other speakers at the meeting sponsored by the Landowners Association of Hamlin in the high school cafeteria. Included were J. C. Yeary, district conservationist; Mike Wills of the State Railroad Commission; Pat Henson, Anson soil conservationist; Charles Stenholm, of the Stamford Electric Cooperative.

Yeary told the group of the organization of a Resource Conservation and Development project which is being created to help people to take better care of natural resources. He pointed out that hopefully this will be presented to the Agriculture Department in Washington for approval within the next 12 months.

One of the areas to be covered by the organization will be to define the soil pollution problem, then set out to solve it, he said.

At the moment, Yeary said, RC&D is gathering facts from the 11-county area which will be used as the basis for an application for funding from the federal government.

If the program is recognized by the federal government, Yeary said a coordinator will be appointed to head the organization.

He noted that, if the program is accepted, it does not mean the funding will be automatic. He said that local sponsors of the project including the West Central Texas Council of Governments and area soil and water conservation districts and, hopefully, city and county governments, might raise funds to support the program if federal aid is not given.

Jones, when asked if state support might be gotten, said that any sort of "new money" coming to the program is doubtful because the next session of the legislature is faced with its biggest demand for dollars in history.

Stenholm was quick to emphasize, however, that pollution, salt or whatever, is now a rallying cry and the fact that program funds would go for the fight against contamination might have a bearing on getting funds from state and federal sources.

Jones said that when the oil industry came into the area, it was not realized that it would mean a salt problem to farmers and ranchers in the future.

It has been only eight years since the public became concerned that the salts produced by oil operations were beginning to pollute local water supplies, he said.

Henson said, upon being questioned from the audience, that land which has been affected by salt is difficult and costly to bring back to its former state.

Many of those in attendance said that salt in water seeping through the ground on their lands has destroyed wells, cisterns and tanks.

Among those mentioning problems in their area were Audrey Hodnett of Neinda,

southeast of Hamlin, O. L. Rackley of Royston, to the west; G. W. Drummond, southeast; and Holman Jones, to the west.

Mayor Hollis Madden brought out that West Lake had been abandoned as a water source for the City of Hamlin because of the high salt content and that the Railroad Commission has been requested to check the conditions at South Lake on three occasions in the past few years because of the rising salt pollution.

Wes Neidecken who farms east of Hamlin mentioned a related problem, an instance where poisoned sacks of cotton seed had been dumped in a creek on his property resulting in the contamination of that water source.



Santa Claus Letters

Every year for many years, it has been the custom of the Hamlin Herald to print letters to Santa Claus. The bulk of these letters were written by the first grade classes in the primary school.

This year these will not be done during school so the Herald office is inviting and urging all youngsters to get their letter to Santa to the Herald office on Friday or no later than noon Monday. These letters will be included in the annual Christmas edition to be printed next week.

Woman's Forum Seeks Librarian For Local Library

Applications for the position of librarian of Hardin Memorial Library are being taken by the executive board of the Hamlin Woman's Forum, governing body for the library.

Applications are to be made in writing and qualifications should be stated. Applicant must be able to type.

A five room house with bath and storage room is rent free to person operating the library two hours a day, five days a week.

Applications should be sent to the Executive Board, Hamlin Woman's Forum, Box 276, Hamlin, by Jan. 10.

After this date applicants will be contacted for personal interview.

Light Shower Here

A light shower of rain early Tuesday morning was followed by a typical West Texas dust storm Tuesday.

Rainfall measured .01 inches by Bill Rountree, 336 N. W. Third, official recorder for the U. S. Weather Bureau.

Rev. David Campos Resigns As Pastor Of Local Mission

Rev. David R. Campos, pastor of the Mexican Mission for the past 18 months, has submitted his resignation to the First Baptist Church, effective Dec. 20.

He is graduating this semester from Hardin-Simmons University with a bachelor of science in religion. He plans to continue his education at Midwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Kansas City, Mo.

A native of Denver, Colo., Rev. Campos came to Hamlin in May, 1969, from Stamford, where he had been for 10 months. He previously pastored the mission church in Trinidad, Colo., for two years.

His wife worked here as a teachers aide in the special education class and also worked in the Headstart program.

The couple's two sons are David, 7, and Gabriel, 5.

News deadline is noon Tuesday. Tuesday evening events by 10 p.m. Tuesday or 8:30 a.m. Wednesday.



TO BE PRESENTED TONIGHT—The Hamlin High School Concert Band and other school bands will be presented tonight (Thursday) at 7:30 in the public school auditorium

in the annual Christmas concert. Featured in the "Christmas Festival" will be the sixth grade beginner band, the junior high band, the high school band and the high school stage band. Admission is \$1. The public is invited.

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SAUCE 21¢



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SAUCE 2 FOR 35¢



SHURFINE

300

PUMPKIN 2 FOR 25¢



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300

ASPARAGUS 3 FOR \$1



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SHURFINE

3 LB. CAN

Shortening 69¢



SHURFINE

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COFFEE 79¢



KRAFT MARSHMALLOW

7 OZ.

CREAM 23¢



HERSHEY SEMI-SWEET

6 OZ.

Chips 25¢

SHURFINE

Flour

5 LB. 39¢

SHURFINE

Salt

BOX 9¢

SHURFINE

Milk

3 FOR 49¢

BORDENS WHIPPING

Cream

1/2 PT. 29¢

FOREMOST, GANDYS OR BORDENS

SOUR Cream

29¢

GANDYS WHIPPING

Cream

1/2 PT. 29¢

REYNOLDS

HEAVY DUTY Foil

59¢

FOREMOST

WHIPPING Cream

1/2 PT. 29¢

PARKAY CORN OIL

Oleo

33¢

SHURFINE

Catsup

14 OZ. 245¢

SHURFINE SWEET

Potatoes

NO. 3 29¢

KING

DR. PEPPER

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39¢

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TURKEYS

LB. 43¢

DRY CURE

HAMS

LB. 65¢

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BACON

LB. 57¢

PHILA. CREAM

CHEESE

8 OZ. 33¢

STALK

CELERY

EACH 15¢

PKG.

Cranberries 25¢

WASH. DEL.

APPLES

LB. 23¢

NAVEL

ORANGES

LB. 19¢

YAMS

LB. 13¢

Avocados

2 FOR 25¢

WALNUT

LB. PKG. 59¢

BANQUET MINCE OR

Pumpkin Pies 29¢

SHURFINE

6 OZ.

Orange Juice 2 FOR 33¢

SHURFINE

CAKE MIX

25¢

SHURFINE SWEET

PICKLES

22 OZ. 49¢

GANDYS

ICE CREAM

5 QT. BUCKET

\$1 59

Piggly Wiggly

Home Owned & Operated by Edgar Duncan

W. G. Kelleys To Be Honored

Mr. and Mrs. W. G. (Bill) Kelley will be honored Sunday with a reception in the Hamlin Jaycee Community Building to celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage.

The reception will be hosted by the couple's children and their spouses. Friends are invited to call from 2 to 4 p.m.

The Kelleys have been residents of the Neinda community for 40 years. Mr. Kelley farmed until he retired in January, 1962.

Mrs. Kelley was the former

Addie May Parker. They were married Dec. 11, 1920, in Anson. They have nine children and 25 grandchildren.

Hosting the reception will be Mr. and Mrs. Jack Kelley of Bedford, Mr. and Mrs. Gary Kelley of Flagstaff, Ariz., Mr. and Mrs. Ted Kelley of Georgetown, Mr. and Mrs. Don Kelley of Euless, Mr. and Mrs. Pete Walker of Anson, Mr. and Mrs. Mike C. Kelley and Mr. and Mrs. Parker Kelley, all of Hamlin.

Hamlin High Happenings

Piper Patter

by Toni Casey
Tony Lewis
Shelley Holtz

Everyone at HHS is excited about getting out for the Christmas holidays. Mid-semester tests are today and tomorrow. School will be out after tests Friday and classes will resume again on January 4, 1971. HAVE A HAPPY HOLIDAY.

HHS

The Piperettes participated at the tournament at Hardin-Simmons University last week and got second in consolation. Shelley Holtz received a trophy for good sportsmanship. The A team boys traveled to the Graham tournament last week where they received the Sportsmanship trophy.

HHS

The National Honor Society met last week. President Tony Lewis presided. Members discussed plans for their Christmas party which will be held Friday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Lewis. The members elected Citizens of the Month for December which will be announced later. The Citizens of the Month for November were Terri Casey and Alton Trotter. Tony Lewis appointed a committee to start planning the patriotic assembly which will be given next semester. The committee consists of Debra Brown, Toni Casey, Keven Mehaffey, and Rodney Rackley.

HHS

The state FFA President, Barham Fulmer, visited with the local FFA Chapter and also spoke before the student body last Tuesday.

HHS

Attendance at the flag raising ceremonies has been excellent this year. The flag raising ceremonies, which are every Monday morning, are sponsored by the National Honor Society. By having flag raising, the NHS is hoping to promote patriotism at HHS.

HHS

The Hamlin concert band

CHRISTMAS LIGHTING AND DECORATING CONTEST

Sponsored by the Hamlin Garden Club in cooperation with the Hamlin Board of Community Development.

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Please enter me in the following category or categories

1. Traditional
2. Modern
3. Religious
4. Humorous
5. Novelty (toy parade, etc.)

Contest open to Hamlin residents.
DEADLINE FOR ENTRY DEC. 17.

Entries judged on 100 point basis:

- Artistic effect.....up to 50 points
- Easily seen from 15' or nearest thoroughfare
- Techniques
- Color usage
- Design composition
- Communication of the Christmas Spirit.....up to 20 points
- Ingenuity.....up to 15 points
- Utilizing surroundings
- Integration and compatibility.....up to 15 points

Mail or bring to:
BCD OFFICE
Box 402
Hamlin, Texas
Ph. 576-3501

Former Residents Tell of Daughter's Engagement

Mr. and Mrs. C. O. Wigginton of Moran, formerly of Hamlin, are announcing the engagement and approaching marriage of their daughter, Gayle, to Dennis Madison Pomroy, son of Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Pomroy of Lamesa.

The couple will be married in Hamlin at 2:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 2, 1971 in First United Methodist Church.

The bride-elect was graduated from Hamlin High School and attended Texas Tech University. She will attend San Antonio College as a nursing major.

Mr. Pomroy is a graduate of Lamesa High School and will be attending San Antonio as a management major.

Cadet Crusaders Hold Christmas Party Here Mon.

The Divisional Christmas Dinner Party for the Cadet Crusaders of the Wichita Valley Division of the Four-square Church was held Monday evening in Hamlin Four-square Church.

Representatives from five churches attended. Twelve adults and 33 young people were present. Gifts were exchanged.

Mrs. Monroe Tabb of Hamlin is the Divisional Cadet Leader.

Other adults attending were Rev. and Mrs. John Waldren of Rotan Four-square Church; Rev. and Mrs. J. D. Taylor of Stamford Four-square Church; Rev. and Mrs. Edmond Ackerman from the

Abilene Northside church and Rev. and Mrs. Herman Westbrook from Abilene First church and Rev. and Mrs. Carl Pool from the local church.

Mrs. Ed Lewis Hosts Christmas Party for Class

Mrs. Ed Lewis was hostess for the annual Christmas party for Homemakers Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church Monday evening.

The class members each brought a gift for a man and a woman. These were wrapped at the party to be given to residents of Holiday Lodge.

Each member was given a golden angel by the teacher, Mrs. Leldon Clifton. Assisting Mrs. Lewis as

hostess were Mmes. Harold Nelson and James Brown.

Others present were Mmes. Marvin Carlton, Melvin Scott, Herman Woods, J. O. Murphree, C. L. White, Buford Bingham, Doyle Ponder, Joe Ford, Kenneth Riddle, and LaFoy Patterson.

Group Sings Carols At Holiday Lodge

Ma Ka Ula Camp Fire Girls met last Tuesday at the Hut. After refreshments were served the group went to Holiday Lodge.

They sang Christmas carols and gave the residents gifts.

Mr. and Mrs. George Werner and George Leslie spent the weekend in Dallas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Werner Sr.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH SERVICE S. S. CLASS HOLDS LUNCHEON

Members of Service Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church and their guests met in Fellowship Hall for a Christmas luncheon. The meal included turkey, dressing and the trimmings.

Mrs. Edgar Duncan, assistant teacher, gave the devotional.

Rev. Howard Jones, pastor, spoke to the group. Christmas carols were sung by Bill Lasseter with Mrs. Marvin Carlton playing the piano accompaniment.

Mrs. Tom Routh is class president. Mrs. Oran Thylor is teacher.

HAD VISITORS? That's news, call the HERALD.

Mrs. Carl Young Hosts Breakfast For Rebekah Class

Rebekah Sunday School Class of First Baptist Church met in the home of Mrs. Carl Young for a Christmas breakfast Tuesday morning. Hostesses with Mrs. Young were Mrs. Mae Young and Mrs. Edd Rodgers.

Mrs. L. B. Baker gave the opening prayer. Mrs. Edgar Duncan gave the devotion.

Others present were Mmes. Mel Jones, Fred Rosenbaum, J. C. Lain, Debbie Harrell, W. R. Perryman, Johnny Woods, Till Harbin, Johnnie Agnew, W. E. Roberson, Travis Hubbard, C. L. Meyner and D. O. Waymire.

News deadline is noon Tuesday.

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MEN'S SUITS

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Reg. 55.00 **\$39.95**

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SPORT COATS

Entire stock of plaids and tweed sport coats reduced for Christmas buying.

Reg. 24.95 **\$16.75**

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The family of C. D. Scott

LOST AND FOUND

LOST: Two four month-old puppies, one border collie, other cross between poodle and Boston terrier, looks like scotty. Lost near 424 S. W. Ave. E. Reward. Phone 576-3654 Guy Weaver or 576-3488.

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Walks, porches, sidewalks, patios, driveways, curbs, etc. No job too large or too small. Call collect, Sweetwater 1-235-3231.

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POODLE GROOMING, tea-cup puppies. Stud service. Boarding for small breeds. Nancy Boren 993-4427, Sylvestre.

FOR SALE: Lightweight stocker calves for winter grazing. Cecil Sellers Cattle Co., Inc. 576-2560, two miles east on Highway 92.

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CUSTOM DRAPERIES AND BEDSPREADS. Call after 5 p.m. 576-3508, Joyce Jackson.

WEDDING AND BIRTHDAY CAKES. Also other cakes and goodies. Mrs. L. B. Bruner, 45 N. Central. 576-3237.

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Re-style your old rings in new-modern settings. All work done in our shop — not sent out. Knablers Jewelers of Integrity.

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NEW or renovated mattresses and box springs. They're guaranteed. Pick up and delivery. Western Mattress Co. Phone Mrs. Pemberton, 576-3512.

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HAMLIN HERALD

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GARAGE SALE: Friday, Saturday and Sunday, starts at 1 p.m. Off South Central on Southwest eighth, one block west. Look for sign.

JUNK SALE: Saturday and Sunday only, used lumber, furniture, some antiques, odds and ends, welding steel and pipes. 656 North Central.

CERAMICS
Make Ideal Christmas Gifts
MRS. W. H. MURPHREE
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Hamlin Building Supply & Plumbing Service

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GARAGE SALE: 150 N. W. Seventh, Thursday, Friday, Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Jess Miller.

BRACE yourself for a thrill the first time you use Blue Lustre to clean rugs. Rent electric shampooer \$1. Harbert Furniture Company. Vacuum bags for all cleaners.

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FOR SALE: Three bedrooms, two baths, large living room, kitchen and carport. Completely redone inside and out. \$100 moves you in. 576-3266.

FOR SALE: All new three bedroom, bath and one-half living room, den and kitchen combination, two-car garage, large utility room, \$500 down will move you in with 7 1/4% interest. Call 576-3266.

FOR SALE: Three bedroom home with two baths, central heat, refrigerated air, established 4 1/4% loan, corner lot. 600 N. W. Ave. G. Call 576-3329 after 5.

FOR SALE: Real nice large two bedroom home, living room, large dining room, lots of closets, two carports, extra storage located on North Central. Priced to sell. Joe E. Ford.

Classified deadline is 8:30 a. m. Wednesday.

BIDS, LEGAL, AUCTION

LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE AFFORDING OPPORTUNITY FOR PUBLIC HEARING CORRIDOR (LOCATION) AND DESIGN (COMBINED HEARING)

The Texas Highway Department is planning the construction of F. M. Highway 2834 from the intersection of present F. M. Highway 1661 and F. M. 2834, West a distance of 4 miles to a country road intersection.

The proposed highway is approximately 8.1 miles West of Stamford and will be a usual farm to market type highway consisting of a two-lane, 20 ft. asphalt paved surface within 100 ft. of right of way.

Maps and other drawings showing the proposed location and geometric design and any other information about the proposed project are on file and available for inspection and copying at the Resident Engineer's Office at 249 North Central Ave. in Hamlin, Texas. Mr. Nelson Shave is Resident Engineer for the project. Also, the drawings showing the proposed geometric design have been placed on file with the County Judge of Jones County.

Information about the State's Relocation Assistance Program, the benefits and services for displacees and the relocation assistance office as well as information about the tentative schedules for acquisition of right of way and construction can be obtained at the Resident Engineer's Office.

Any interested citizen may request that a public hearing be held covering the social, economic and environmental effects of the proposed location and design for this highway project by delivering a written request to the Resident Engineer's Office on or before December 31, 1970.

In the event such a request is received, a public hearing will be scheduled and adequate notice will be publicized about the date and location of the hearing.

NEWS FROM ...

Old Glory

By Bernice D. White

The Old Glory Variety Club enjoyed their annual Christmas Program at their regular meeting last week in the home of Mrs. Lynn Flowers.

The Christmas program was under the direction of Mrs. G. F. Spitzer. The group sang Christmas carols, exchanged gifts, Mrs. E. H. Diers read the poem "The Shepherd who Stayed Behind" and Mrs. Charlie Letz read "Thoughts of Mother."

Mrs. Lynn Flowers led the prayer. They enjoyed refreshments and games of "84" also.

Mrs. Tillie Dippel observed her birthday last Sunday and the following ladies came to call: Mmes. Ben Klump, Herman Letz, Charlie Letz, Katy Gerloff and Adele Duden-sing.

Mrs. G. F. Spitzer also observed her birthday last Sunday and visiting in their home were their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dean Letz and boys of Abilene and their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Spitzer and boys of Stamford.

Visitors during the past several days in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn Flowers included Mr. and Mrs. J. C. King of San Angelo, Mrs. Hazel Overton and Mrs. Oren Brigham of Stamford, Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Davis of

spent last weekend in Austin visiting their daughter, Mrs. Helen Cox, and children.

Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Gholson have gone to Wichita Falls to be with his mother, Mrs. Flora Gardner, who is ill.

Visitors last week in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Cliff Gholson included their granddaughter, Debra Coats who spent the week with them. Mr. and Mrs. Bob Coats and son were here over the weekend. Mr. and Mrs. Arnold Fouts also visited with them. All are from Wichita Falls.

The Jack Jones family spent the weekend in Denton visiting their son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Jones.

Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Newman visited in Snyder last Sunday with his mother.

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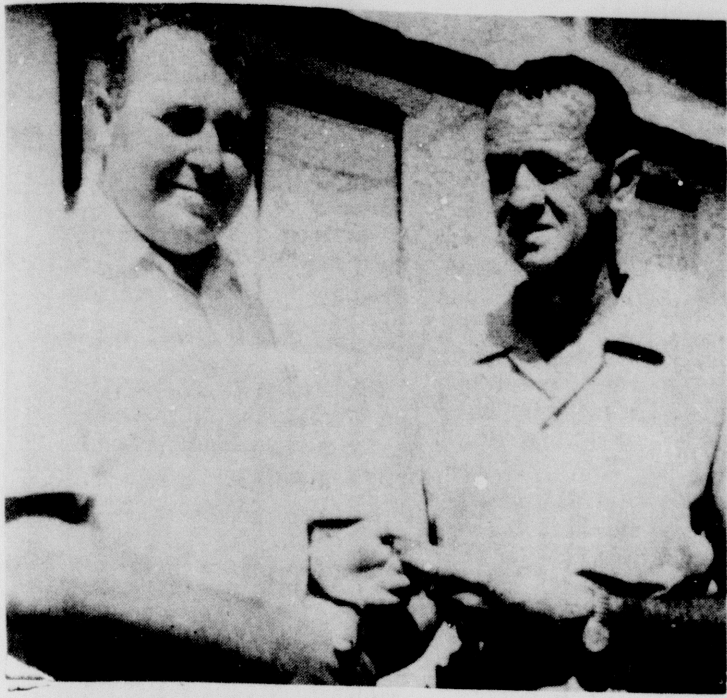
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20-YEAR SERVICE--Glenn L. Adair, right, Roustabout First Class with Continental Oil Company, was recently presented a 20-year service award by Production Foreman Kenneth J. Campbell, left, in Aspermont. Adair has worked at various locations with Continental's Geophysical Department for 16 years. He was transferred to Conoco's producing operations in the Hamlin-Aspermont area in May, 1966. Mr. and Mrs. Adair and two children now reside in Hamlin.



25-YEAR SERVICE--C. E. Evans, left, Test Engineer with Continental Oil Company, was recently presented a 25-year service award by Production Foreman Kenneth J. Campbell in Aspermont. Mr. Evans began his career with Conoco at Electra and was transferred to the Hamlin-Aspermont area Jan. 1, 1969. Mr. and Mrs. Evans and one son reside at 332 N. W. Ave. A in Hamlin. They have two older sons, one of whom, Carl, is employed in Conoco's Odessa area.

Dec. 31 Deadline To File Medicare Claims Thru Sept.

December 31, 1970 is the deadline for filing Medicare medical insurance claims for services received October 1, 1968, through September 30, 1969, according to R. R. Tulley, Jr., social security district manager in Abilene.

"If you have Medicare medical insurance and received covered services during the period of October 1, 1968, through September 30, 1969, claims must be filed before the end of this year," Tulley said. "After December 31, 1970, Medicare cannot pay on these bills."

Tulley said that anyone needing claim forms for Medicare medical insurance or related information should call the Abilene social security office. The telephone number is (915) 677-5262.

Medicare medical insurance is the voluntary part of Medicare. It is available to almost everyone 65 or older and helps pay for doctor's services and certain other health care services. Financed by individual monthly premiums and matching Government funds, it pays 80 percent of reasonable charges above the \$50 annual deductible for covered medical services.

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From the

Eagles Beak--

by Shirley Ann Gann

Tuesday, Dec. 8, the Eagles hosted the Blackwell Hornets and were defeated by the visitors in three games.

The boys B team fell to Blackwell, 38-26. Scores were made for McCaulley by Teddy Current, 2; Tommy Moore, 4; Alvin Raines, 2; Derrell Pippin, 6; Greg Redden, 6; and Joe Cooper, 10.

The girls scoring in the 28-45 contest were Vikki Griffen, 2; Vickie Smart, 11; Debbie Kiser, 9; Renia Kelly, 4; and Luci Perales, 2.

The boys A team scored 46 points to Blackwell's 86. Hornet scores were made by Daniel Benavides, 25; Randy Williams, 2; Larry Marshall, 3; Glenn Dowell, 12; Eddy Gibson, 2; and James Spalding, 2.

Friday, Dec. 11 the boys traveled to Moran where they were edged out 48-50.

ployee, employer, and self-employed social security taxes during a person's working years, requires no continuing premium payments. It helps pay for hospital care and for related health services for people 65 and over.



Fair Warning

While a housewife was polishing her dining room table, the telephone rang in the kitchen. Although she was out of the room only a few minutes, her infant son managed to take a drink of the furniture polish. It was poisonous, and the child died.

In due course, the victim's parents filed a damage suit against the manufacturer of the polish. They charged that the label failed to warn how dangerous the polish was.

True, the label did contain the words "May be harmful if swallowed." Nevertheless, the company was indeed held liable for



the tragedy. The words were found to be too mild a warning for so deadly a product. Besides, they were placed in an obscure position on the package.

One of the common issues in product liability cases is whether the manufacturer has given the user "fair warning" of possible danger. Generally speaking, the warning should be as conspicuous and as urgent as the danger reasonably calls for.

To judge the adequacy of a particular warning, courts will weigh various factors. Thus:

A label on paint, listing a dangerous ingredient, was held inadequate because the ingredient was described only by its chemical name, which few users would understand.

And the warning on a cleaning fluid was held inadequate because it was printed in letters that were too small.

On the other hand, when the warning is fair, it is not the manufacturer's fault if the user simply fails to pay attention to it. For example:

An adhesive compound, placed too close to an open flame, exploded and injured the user. But when he sued for damages, the company pointed out that the label had a plain and positive warning of the danger. Accordingly, the victim's claim was turned down.

Furthermore, many dangers are so obvious that no warning is needed at all. As one judge put it:

"A knife will cut and a stove will burn; but no authority holds that manufacturers must warn of such contingencies. No one needs notice of what he already knows."

A public service feature of the American Bar Association and the State Bar of Texas. Written by Will Bernard.

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Mrs. S. A. Teague went to Amarillo Monday to visit her daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Bob McCurdy. She will return home today (Thursday).

Classified deadline is 8:30 a.m. Wednesday.

Farmer's Income Tax Guide Now Available - Agent

The 1971 edition of the Farmer's Income Tax Guide is now available in the county agent's office and may be picked up free of charge for the asking.

The edition reflects many of the latest changes in the federal tax laws of significance to farmers, resulting from the Tax Reform Act of 1969.

Drivers License Office to Close Here Wednesday

Patrolman Melvin Cagle announces that he will not be in his office here Wednesday, Dec. 23, as regularly

scheduled.

Patrolman Cagle comes to Hamlin each Wednesday to give drivers license examinations.

Christmas Mass

Christmas Mass will be held at the Holy Trinity Church Dec. 24 at 10 p.m. and Dec. 25 at 9 a.m.

Civil Defense Seeking Funds

Members of the Hamlin Civil Defense remind the public that they are selling candy and U. S. Flag emblems to raise funds to equip the Rescue Truck.

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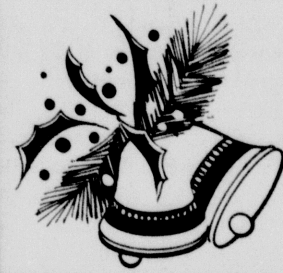
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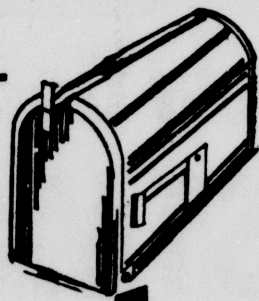
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AUSTIN, — Secretary of State Martin Dies Jr., as Texas' chief election officer, has urged complete overhaul of the state's primary election machinery and voter registration system.

Dies told the House committee studying election reform that Texas faces a crisis in election operations and must, with counties, assume financing and conduct of primaries.

Election fees, although already too high, said Dies, no longer adequately finance elections.

Texas' chief election officer said he personally favors September and October primaries to concentrate the election period, ease the strain on candidates and increase voter interest.

Dies also strongly recommends the junking of annual voter registration and substituting the system of re-registration-by-voting used by most states.

Both early primaries (and January 31 voter registration cutoff) and annual registration are under court attack.

If Federal judges declare both unconstitutional, Dies told the committee, Texas will be unable to hold primaries or register voters until the Legislature orders changes.

LAND-BOND SALE — Veterans Land Program, in limbo for a year, got a new lease on life with the sale of \$25 million worth of bonds at a weighted average interest rate of 4.06 per cent.

Low bid was submitted by Morgan Guaranty Trust Company of New York and Salomon Brothers. Others ranged from 4.09 to 4.14 per cent.

Veterans Land Board ap-

parently made low bids possible by offering the sale with eight to 18-year payoffs instead of the usual 25-year and longer-term bonds. Even though veterans have 40 years to pay of land purchases under the program, surpluses accumulated since 1949 make short-term bonds feasible, according to a land office spokesman.

Although the Board was authorized to sell some \$140 million more, bonds could not be marketed earlier because they were subject to the constitutional interest rate limit of 4.5 per cent.

Latest bond offering, to the surprise of nearly everybody, brought five bids below the rate ceiling.

Land Commissioner Jerry Sadler, Board chairman, said guidelines for applications by veterans under the revived program for purchase of land on long-term, low interest loans soon will be released.

Applications, according to Sadler, must be filed by the middle of January.

Last bonds were marketed two years ago before interest rates took off on a long steep climb upward.

About \$115 million in bonds authorized by voters still remain unsold. This new \$25 million sale is expected to meet the demands for four years.

URBAN PANEL REPORTS — Texas Urban Development Commission has recommended creation of new state agencies and programs to help make cities more pleasant in which to live.

Committee's 50-page interim report to Gov. Preston Smith gave primary attention to transportation and housing problems and the

need for cooperation among state and local governments.

Group recommended that an Interagency Transportation Council be created to provide adequate planning and assistance for comprehensive transportation systems.

Other agencies recommended for creation were: a Department of Community Affairs to aid local governments, administer planning and housing programs as well as to develop and administer economic opportunity programs; a Texas Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations; a Human Resources Council; a Texas Housing Finance Corporation; and an Urban Assistance Board.

Additional recommendations covered fields of law enforcement, natural resource management (aid for waste water plant construction), health standards, property tax administered balanced growth and strengthening local government.

COURTS SPEAK — In a major decision, the State Supreme Court affirmed lower court findings on U. S. water rights for the Rio Grande from the Falcon Reservoir south of Laredo to the Gulf Coast.

This fifteen-year old legal action affects nearly a million people and 850,000 acres of Rio Grande Valley farmland.

High Court reversed lower courts and held that a Dallas woman was entitled to a \$4,673 jury award for the death of her son in an automobile wreck due to negligence of the driver.

Court of Criminal Appeals reversed the life sentence given a Port Arthur man in a shooting, since no evidence backed up the testimony of an alleged accomplice.

AG OPINIONS — Discovery by the commissioners court on a tax collector's lists of "delinquent or insolvent taxpayers" having personal property in their possession subject to a delinquent tax levy is sufficient to warrant refusal of list certification. So held Atty. Gen. Crawford C. Martin in a recent opinion.

In other opinions Martin found that: Bexar County school district boards have authority to change 1971 date of school trustee elections from the first Saturday in April to the first Saturday in March. Johnson County commissioners are without authority to abolish the office of county school superintendent by order. An election to abolish it cannot be held in the year it is due to be filled at a regular election.

Board of Vocational Nurse Examiners can accredit schools of vocational nursing that offer advanced standing exams to persons who can demonstrate experience and qualification (like military hospital corpsmen).

Justice of the peace, elected in a general election, does

not take office until January 1, and unless the incumbent dies or resigns, county commissioners cannot appoint anyone to the post.

STATE GROWTH SLOWS — Texas growth slowed during 1970 due largely to the impact of the federal fiscal policy, Texas Employment Commission reported to Governor Smith.

TEC maintains that the whole picture is not bleak, however.

Unemployment rose from 2.6 per cent to 3.7 per cent, highest closeout figure since 1965. (Several major areas were hit by defense spending cuts.)

Labor force continued to grow but at a slower rate and total employment was estimated at more than 4.6 million at the end of the fiscal year. This was up 1.5 per cent from the previous year. Hurricane Celia was blamed for the decline in agricultural employment to 4.3 million.

SHORT SNORTS Governor Smith is the newly elected chairman of the Interstate Oil Compact Commission for 1971.

County governments are seeking a cut of the liquor-by-the-drink tax and more control over unincorporated areas.

A new Texas Research League study concludes that citizens should have a choice as to the form of county government they prefer.

Texas State Teachers Association says that the proposal to increase the local share of school cost is a "hoax" that would merely shift a greater tax burden on property owners and would save no money.

Coordinating Board of the Texas College and University System approved 17 projects totaling \$303,170 for federal community service and continuing education program aid.

Sen.ack Hightower of Vernon was named by Governor Smith as delegate to the White House Conference on Children.

Governor appointed Earle Caddell, Uvalde County Attorney, as 38th District Attorney, succeeding R. S. Crawford Jr. of Uvalde, effective Jan. 2.

Father of Former Hamlinite Dies

Chester J. Hilburn, 64, of Abilene, father of Charles F. (Peewee) Hilburn, formerly of Hamlin, died at his home Saturday at 8:30 p.m. after an extended illness.

Charles Hilburn was manager of Lone Star Gas Company here before being transferred to Gatesville last month.

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As Many As 87 May Die In State Over Long Holidays

AUSTIN — Colonel Wilson E. Speir, director of the Texas Department of Public Safety, warned today that traffic crashes in Texas over the Christmas and New Year holiday periods may claim as many as 87 lives.

He said 52 deaths are expected in the 78 hours of Christmas from 6 p.m. Thursday, December 24 to midnight Sunday, December 27. He also estimated 35 traffic deaths during the New Year holiday from 6 p.m. Thursday, December 31 to midnight Sunday, January 3.

Speir said the Department of Public Safety will place all available patrolmen on the highways during both holiday periods to enforce the law and aid motorists. He added that many local law enforcement agencies will be joining in this all-out effort to reduce the number of holiday accidents.

The DPS director said a special "Operation Motorcade" would be in effect over both holiday periods, during which periodic tabulations of traffic fatalities will be made and given the widest possible dissemination in order to focus public attention on the added dangers involved in holiday travel.

Medicare General Enrollment Period Begins January 1

A very important date is near for some area residents over age 65, stated Wayne Baker, Jones County field representative from the Abilene social security office. This date, January 1, is the beginning of a three month "General Enrollment Period" provided for under the Social Security Medicare law. A person who is still eligible, but who is not enrolled in part "B" of Medicare, can sign up during this "open" period which ends March 31, 1971. Baker stated. Coverage will be effective the following July 1.

Part "B" of Medicare or medical insurance helps pay for doctor bills, diagnostic tests, and certain other medical expenses incurred outside the hospital he added.

This will be the last chance to enroll for those people born between October 1, 1902 and September 30, 1903 Baker emphasized. Those born before October 1, 1902 and who never enrolled previously are no longer eligible.

A person who enrolls for part "B" during the "open period" will have to pay a slightly higher monthly premium rate if he has passed up an earlier opportunity to sign up.

"We urge each individual driver to join in these efforts and help us prove the estimate of 87 fatalities too high. Many holiday accidents can and will be prevented if Texans will adopt 'Drive Friendly' at their personal slogan while behind the wheel," Speir added.

Junior High Basketball

In their games with Aspermont Monday evening the Hamlin Junior High teams swept all three contests. The seventh grade opened the action with a 25-17 victory with Gary Don Mayes, scoring 12 points for high. The girls followed this up with a 15-9 win with Rita Casey high with 8 points. Johnny Jones led the eighth grade boys to a 36-27 victory with 26 points for high individual.

On Tuesday the three teams defeated Stamford here with the seventh grade winning the opener, 31-20. Mayes hit 12 points. Three girls hit in double figures as the eighth grade girls rolled up a 62-12 victory. Cathy Hooper led the scoring with 18 points, followed by Rita Casey with 12 and Beverly Carter with 10. The eighth grade boys closed out the evening with a 34-19 victory with Jones hitting eight points for top scorer.

In Junior High action this past week, the seventh grade boys defeated Merkel, 20-16, here Thursday with Daniel Willis, Gerald Rodgers, and Gary Don Mayes each scoring six points each.

The eighth grade girls were edged out by Merkel, 15-13, with Kathy Hooper scoring nine points for Hamlin.

The eighth grade boys won over Merkel, 38-25, with Johnny Jones scoring 14 and Tracy Rowland hitting 11.

Friday night the eighth grade boys defeated Sweetwater, 35-30, with Jones scoring 18 and Freddy Webb 9. And the Boys Freshmen team also defeated Sweetwater the same evening, 45-34, with Bill Cork scoring 18 points.

Mrs. Warren (Shirley) Tiffin and son, James Ward, of Fayetteville, Ark., visited in the home of Mrs. F. M. Crow and Mrs. Valeta Hartley last week. Mrs. Tiffin's mother, Mrs. N. D. (Marjory) Johnson of Odessa met her here. Mrs. Tiffin also visited with her father, Raymond Griffin, and grandfather, Arch Griffin, in Syl-vester.

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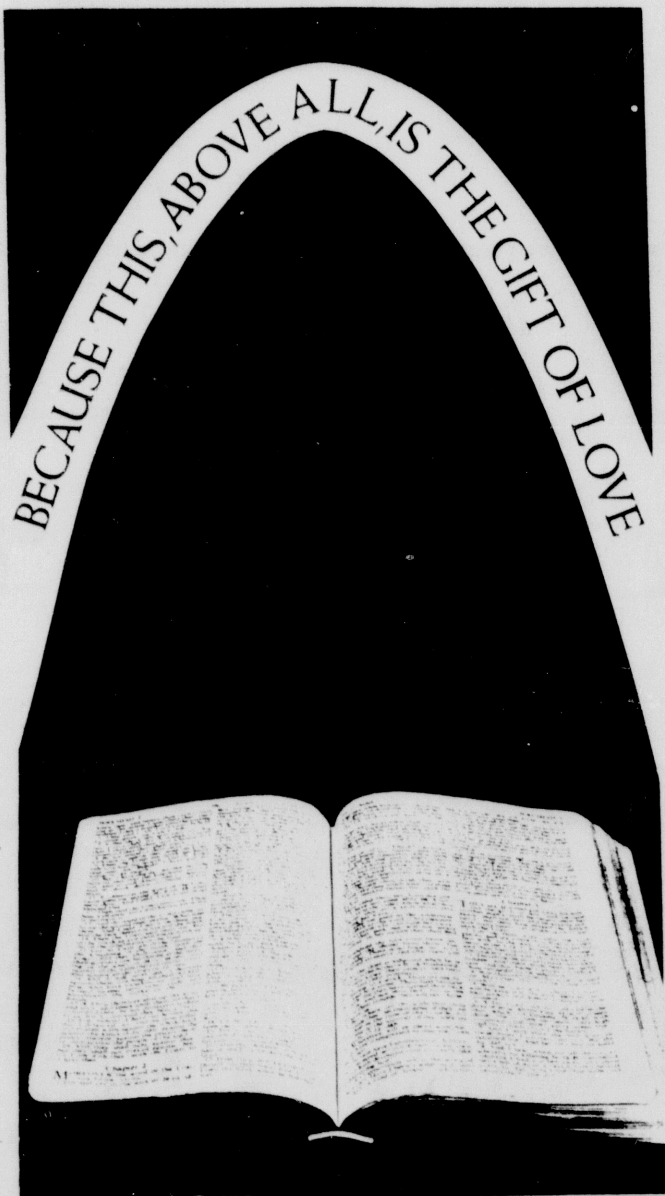
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Bobby Crowley Named President Of Postal Group

Bobby Crowley, officer in charge at the local post office, was elected president of the Big Country Postal Association at a recent meeting held in Abilene. He will assume the responsibilities of the office Jan. 1, 1971.

The Association includes all postal workers in the Big Country who are interested. The meetings are held at least once each quarter in Abilene.

He will serve a one year term.

Mr. and Mrs. Joe Simpson spent last Monday and Tuesday in Georgetown with her mother, Mrs. Lott Shell, who observed her 86th birthday on Tuesday. Mrs. Shell was also visited by other children and many lifelong friends.

Neinda Philosopher Takes A Look At the Mail Situation and Gives Some Dubious Answers

Editor's note: The Neinda Philosopher on his Johnson grass farm on Route One examines the mail situation this week.

Dear editor:

Since I don't depend on the mail service as much as a lot of people, I can't tell any difference in a newspaper delivered by Uncle Sam and one delivered by a good strong north wind. I figure I can take a calmer view of the mail situation that always develops along about this time of the year, railroad strike or no railroad strike.

Actually of course a railroad strike isn't all bad for the Post Office Department especially in big cities. It gives it an excuse for getting bogged down in mail it was going to get bogged down in anyway.

But everybody recognizes mail service isn't what it used to be and something ought to be done about it.

One solution the Post Office Department is looking into is a machine that reads handwriting. It wants a machine that can look at the address on a letter, decipher it, and ship it on its way, untouched by human hand.

If they can get a machine smart enough to read some people's handwriting, for example mine and some others I know, we wouldn't need to write letters at all. Just let the machines write each other. One objection to this though would be the amount of unemployment it'd create among postmasters.

Another method to avoid the Christmas log-jam of mail of course would be to hold Christmas just every tenth year, but I doubt if it'd catch on.

Or since I don't have any trouble at all getting a letter from this Johnson grass farm to your office in Hamlin, maybe Congress should prohibit a man's writing a letter that goes any further than his mail carrier can carry it.

Actually there's nothing wrong with the mail service,

it's just sort of like the highway system: too many people try to use it at the same time.

If everybody followed Mark Twain's system we wouldn't have any mail problems at all. He said if you'd wait six months before answering your letters you'd be surprised how few needed answering.

If you think this is a good idea, let me know along about next June.

Yours faithfully,
J. A.

Big Country Conservation Group Organizes Project

Directors of eight soil and water conservation districts representing 12 counties north and west of Abilene met last week at Aspermont to continue work on making application for a Resource Conservation and Development Project.

R. V. Earles, Haskell, was elected chairman of this steering committee. The name selected by the group was the Big Country Resource Conservation and Development Area.

The purpose of the Big Country RC&D project is to help people take better care of their natural resources and at the same time improve their economy. The project is locally initiated, sponsored and directed. It will provide a base for people to come

together to plan and carry out actions that make the area a better place to live and work.

Some projects discussed common throughout the area were the quantity and quality of water, salt seep pollution, lack of jobs for young people, road ditch erosion, and disposal sites for refuse. Work will continue on organization and application development at their next meeting scheduled Feb. 8, 1971, at Aspermont.

Singing Sunday

There will be a singing at the Foursquare Church the third Sunday of December. It will be from 2 p.m. until 4 p.m. Everyone is urged to attend.

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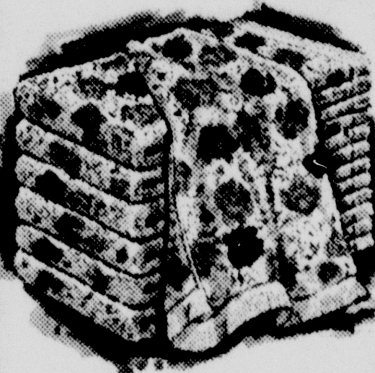
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Make up your own gift sets from our fine velour type Cannon towels in a big assortment of prints and plains. We will gift wrap them free.

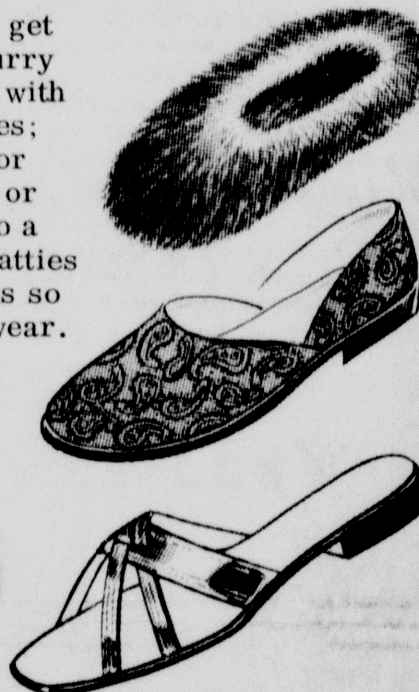
Bath size **2.49**
Hand size **1.49**
Wash Cloth **69¢**

EVERYBODY LOVES TO GET Slippers

Everyone loves to get slippers—warm furry styles, corduroys with heels or gold slides; or flats suitable for wear in the house or on the street—also a big selection of flatties in colors and golds so good for holiday wear.

\$3⁹⁵

\$7⁹⁵



YES WE HAVE DANIEL GREEN SLIPPERS

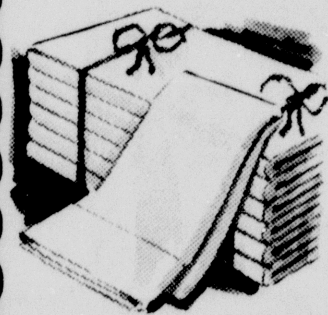
CLEARANCE COATS



Our entire stock of Betty Rose and Empire early fall coats now reduced in time for holiday giving and wearing.

**REDUCED
25% 50%**

CANNON SHEETS



No iron Muslin sheets in the pretty "Sentiment" printed pattern. Usually—3.98 and 4.95 now reduced Twin size or for holidays

72x108 flat only **2.98**
Full bed size only **3.95**

BATH ROOM SETS

A much wanted item for Christmas—we have just received new styles and colors in 2 and 3 piece sets.

\$5⁹⁵ \$8⁹⁵



PLEASANT PRESENTS FOR HIS LEISURE HOURS

MEN'S ROBES

Perma pressed printed cottons, corduroys and flannels. Most styles

\$5⁹⁵ TO \$9⁹⁵

LADIES' LINGERIE



The most complete selection of gowns, pajamas and robes ever—nylons and cottons as well as challis for a little warmer effect. Beautiful colors—a gift she will appreciate.

\$3⁹⁹ TO \$7⁹⁹

PENDLETON SPORT SHIRTS

The tops in sport shirts.

REG. **\$16⁹⁵**
19.00

REG. **\$14⁹⁵**
17.50



DRESS SHIRTS
No-iron tapered shirts with longer point collar and two button cuff. Bold stripes.

\$5⁹⁵

WE WILL BE OPEN 'TIL 8 EVERY NIGHT UNTIL CHRISTMAS EVE

LAST MINUTE Gift Ideas

Reg. \$1.19

VELOUR BATH TOWELS

 NOW **99¢**

16 Pc. Starter Set

DISHES \$3⁹⁹

ELECTRIC BLANKETS

1188 1588

VACUUM CLEANER

G. E. Canister Type

\$29⁸⁸

HAIR DRYER

\$22⁹⁹

KINDNESS INSTANT HAIR SETTER

\$19⁹⁹

10 MINUTE HAIR SETTER

Reg. \$14.95 **\$7⁷⁷**

NOW

4 Pc. LUGGAGE SETS

19⁹⁸

ALUMINUM COOKWARE

1188

LADIES SWEATERS

\$5⁸⁸

BIKINI PANTIES

47¢

MEN'S BULKY SOX

84¢

MEN'S Fruit of the Loom DRESS SHIRTS

Long sleeve Pastel colors

\$3⁹⁹

MEN'S JUMP SUITS

Assorted Colors

\$7⁸⁸

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HAMLIN, TEXAS

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HEIDENHEIMER'S

FREE GIFT WRAPPING

A very Merry Christmas

'TIS THE SEASON OF **SUPER FOOD VALUES**

GLADIOLA 5 LB. BAG
FLOUR 49¢

HOLLY 5 LB. BAG
SUGAR 59¢

HUNTS SLICED-OR-HALVES NO. 2 1/2 CAN
PEACHES 29¢

DEL MONTE NO. 1 1/2 CAN 4 FOR
Pineapple 99¢

CARNATION - EVP.
MILK 6 TALL CANS 99¢

REYNOLDS - HEAVY DUTY 18 IN. 25 FT. ROLL
FOIL 49¢



HOLIDAY WISHES AT YULETIDE

This is the time of year when families reunite, friends seek each other out, and warm greetings are exchanged by all. May we join the happy throng to wish you a joyous Noel.

**FROM ALL EMPLOYEES
MAC'S SUPER MARKET**

PRICES GOOD THROUGH DEC. 26TH

SLEIGH-LOAD OF **FOOD VALUES**

FOLGERS POUND CAN
COFFEE 79¢

CREAMY 3 LB. CAN
CRISCO 89¢

KOUNTRY FRESH 10 COUNT CAN 6 FOR
BISCUITS 49¢

DURKEE FLAKED 14 OZ. BAG
Coconut 49¢

BIG VALLEY - SHEILED 10 OZ. BAG
PECANS 99¢

DEL MONTE 20 OZ. FAMILY SIZE 3 FOR
CATSUP 99¢

REG. SIZE BOX RICHELIEU NO. 303 CAN
JELLO 10¢ PEARS 29¢

DEL MONTE 303 4 FOR
Fruit Cocktail 99¢

DEL MONTE 303 4 FOR OUR DARLING 303 5 FOR
PEAS 99¢ CORN 99¢

DEL MONTE WHOLE 303 4 FOR
GREEN BEANS 99¢

DEL MONTE - SOUR - DILL 22 OZ. DEL MONTE SWEET 12 OZ.
Pickles 39¢ Pickles 39¢

PRODUCE SPECIALS
RUSSET **POTATOES 10 LB. BAG 49¢**

CRISP POUND CHIQUITA POUND
CELERY 10¢ BANANAS 10¢

TEXAS 5 LB. BAG YELLOW POUND
ORANGES 39¢ ONIONS 7¢

ZEE 60 COUNT PKG. COCA 12 OZ. CAN
NAPKINS 11¢ COLA 10¢

TURKEYS

SWIFT BUTTERBALL POUND MEDALLION HEN 10-14 LB. POUND
TURKEYS 59¢ TURKEYS 43¢

WILSONS - CORN KING POUND SMOKED HALF OR WHOLE POUND
BACON 59¢ HAMS 59¢

KOUNTRY FRESH 2 LB. BOX WILSONS - CORN KING CANNED 5 LB. CAN
CHEESE 99¢ HAMS \$4 69

BORDENS OR GANDYS QUART HORMEL SAUSAGE 12 OZ. PKG.
EGGNOG 49¢ Sizzlers 49¢

TOWIE MARASCHINO 9 OZ. JAR TOWIE STUFFED 5 OZ. JAR
CHERRIES 29¢ OLIVES 39¢

MACS
SUPER MARKET HAMLIN, TEXAS

DOUBLE GOLD BOND STAMPS ON WEDNESDAY WITH \$2.50 PURCHASE